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Brian Waters

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Re: Public Records Request

Dear Brian,

This letter follows my January 28, 2019 communication concerning your public records request seeking “demographic data for the Burlington Police Department. For each current officer, please be sure to include at least the following fields: name, race, gender, date or year of birth.” You also requested that the information be “provided in a machine-readable format such as an excel spreadsheet.”

The City has conducted a search of its database for records responsive to your request. Such records are labeled REC001 through REC003 and are being provided to you as an attachment to the email transmitting this letter. No responsive records have been withheld in full, but information exempt from public inspection and copying have been redacted pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(7). The redactions are noted in the records, which both services to identify the portions of the records that are being withheld from public inspection and copying, and the asserted statutory basis for the exemption in accordance with 1 V.S.A. § 318(c)(2)(A), (B). Specifically, the City is redacting:

- Personal documents relating to an individual . . . 1 V.S.A. §317(c)(7). Date of birth has been redacted under this exemption.

Since the City has determined that certain information is exempt from public inspection and copying, I am required to inform you that you have the right to appeal exemption and redaction decisions to Chief Brandon del Pozo pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 318(c)(1). *See also* 1 V.S.A. § 318(b)(2)(D). Appeals should be made in writing and directed to 1 North Ave., Burlington VT 05401 or [bdelpozo@bpdvt.org](mailto:bdelpozo@bpdvt.org), with a copy to the City Attorney’s Office at the below mailing and/or email address.

Sincerely,

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